

JOHNNIE BUTLER SAYS IT'S REAL. BUTLER LIKES THE MANNER OF THE INVESTIGATION. ALL EVIDENCE KEPT SECRET.

Progress of the Inquiry into Charges
Against the Democratic City
Central Committee.

Neither the members of the committee of inquiry nor the witnesses who have testified will tell in detail what progress has been made in the investigation of the Democratic City Central Committee. They have agreed among themselves to keep their information secret till a report can be made to the State Committee.

"I really would like to tell you all about it," said the suave and astute Mr. Johnnie Butler, who was one of the witnesses examined Tuesday, "but I have promised these gentlemen not to talk, and I can't break my word. You wouldn't have me do that, would you?"

"Does it impress you as a real investigation?"

"Yes, it does," said Mr. Butler earnestly. "The committee is trying to get at all the facts. I was questioned closely and I told what I knew. The committee may want to question me again and if so I am ready to answer."

As young Mr. Butler hesitated when Chairman Cook appointed the committee of inquiry about going before it, claiming that certain members, whom he would not name, would "make a monkey" of him and "wash the City Committee," it may be inferred that the committee really means business, or at any rate he thinks so.

While the members of the commission and the witnesses are as silent as the grave about what is being done, even the tomb is subject to leaks, and some things that have been done are known.

When a witness is ushered into the Lincoln Hotel apartment where the inquiries are being made, he is met by a man named Michael J. Casey, an able private investigator, who is at the end of a long table around which are grouped Chairman Edwin Harrison, Secretary John A. Blivins, Frank Ryan, A. C. Stanley and C. D. McClure. Chairman Harrison conducts the examination in a quiet, unassuming manner, but in a question whenever they think it pertinent.

Secretary Blivins takes down the evidence, not in short hand, nor verbatim, but as one of the members of the committee says, "in getting the salient points."

Johnnie Butler's remarks were full of salient points. He kept Mr. Blivins' hand going at a rapid rate, while he was being questioned. He kept Mr. Blivins' hand going at a rapid rate, while he was being questioned. He kept Mr. Blivins' hand going at a rapid rate, while he was being questioned.

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Another session of the Commission of inquiry will be held at the Lincoln Hotel this afternoon at 6 o'clock.

B. M. TANSLEY DEAD.

He Expired in El Paso While Traveling for His Health.

News has been received that Bernard Morrison Tansley, youngest son of R. P. Tansley, President of the St. Louis Transfer Co., died in El Paso, Tex., Monday night. The body will reach St. Louis Thursday night and will be buried either in Springfield or Alton, Ill.

The deceased was born Secretary and Auditor of the St. Louis Transfer Co. since 1880. He was born in Alton, Ill. and entered the employ of the St. Louis Transfer Co. when he was 16 years old. His health failed two years ago and he has been traveling ever since.

PURCHAN ON TRIAL.

Charged With the Murder of John Irby in Pike County.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. BOWLING GREEN, Mo., Dec. 8.—After more than two years of delay, the Purchan murder case has come to trial in the Circuit Court here today. The case was deliberately planned and committed from ambush, after that the real motive was to prevent Irby's marrying the young sister of Mrs. Purchan. It is hinted that the Purghans were to retain control of the girl and of her interest in the farm where they lived. Able lawyers are engaged on both sides.

CLEVELAND AND CRESPO.

They Exchange Letters With Regard to the Venezuela Treaty.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The Journal has the following by cable from Caracas, Venezuela: The Government to-day publishes a personal letter from President Cleveland to President Crespo, in regard to the Guiana boundary treaty which has been agreed upon between Mr. Olney, the American Secretary of State, and Lord Salisbury, the British Prime Minister.

The reply of President Crespo is also published and the Venezuelan public has thus been aware of the steps that led up to this country's acquiescence in the arrangement.

In his letter, Mr. Cleveland commends the terms of the treaty to the Chief Executive of Venezuela and with many expressions of international courtesy advises its acceptance as the best possible solution to all controversies.

President Crespo's reply is in cordial, but guarded terms. He expresses the gratitude of his Government and people towards the United States and adds the belief that the Congress of Venezuela will undoubtedly give the treaty the attention that it deserves.

TEL-EL-AMARNA TABLETS

Discovered Accidentally by an Egyptian Peasant Woman.

One of the most learned and valuable articles ever written bearing on Old Testament literature, the data for which have been secured from Oriental archaeology, forms one of the chapters in that most valuable work, The People's Bible History. No other man in the world, perhaps, has so profound and practical knowledge upon this deep and intricate subject as Prof. Sayce, the writer of the chapter referred to. He is an eminent scholar and occupies the important position of professor of Assyriology in Queen's College, Oxford, England. Among the archaeological discoveries which he brings into evidence is the Tel-el-Amarna tablets, discovered by accident in 1887 by an Egyptian peasant woman amid the ruins of the palace of Amenophis IV. These clay tablets bear the date of 1850 B. C., and contain an extract from a state document written by the Satrap of Canaan to his King just at the time when the Hebrews under Joshua were invading the Promised Land. In some of the correspondence direct reference to that event is made, thus throwing a wonderful side light upon the historical events recorded upon the sacred page.

Others of these tablets contain letters written by the Prince of Amurites, Phoenicians, Philistines and others to the King of Egypt. They constitute the most important records ever discovered, in that they most fully and unequivocally substantiate the historical statements of the Book of Joshua, and afford positive evidence of the antiquity of civilization in Syria and Palestine, and of the wonderful development it had attained at this very remote period in the world's history.

It is the exhaustive research for and assembling together of such wonderful and convincing proofs as these into one volume which makes The People's Bible History valuable beyond any other ever yet published. It is unknown, but it is regarded as important.

A statement made by a citizen who doesn't want to be known in the investigation was read to the committee. The nature of it is unknown, but it is regarded as important.

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NEW MISSOURI CORPORATIONS.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 8.—The Secretary of State to-day issued certificates of incorporation for the following companies:

Russell & Selbert Refracting Company, St. Louis; capital, \$100,000; incorporated by R. Russell and Selbert Russell, Alfred Selbert and Henry Selbert.

Klaw Clothing Company of St. Louis; capital, \$100,000; incorporated by S. W. Klaw, Amelia and John Hermann.

Marshall & Co. of St. Louis; capital, \$100,000; incorporated by W. M. Marshall, Lee D. Stewart, John Mittler and John W. Marshall.

Krey Packing Company of St. Louis; capital, \$50,000; incorporated by James W. Krey, George P. Krey and Frederick Krey.

Broadway Laundry Company of St. Louis; capital, \$100,000; incorporated by F. H. Hoffman, J. L. Schaum and F. L. Wiener.

Patrick Mallon Dead.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 8.—Patrick Mallon, one of the older members of the bar of this city, died suddenly Tuesday.

TELEGRAPH BRIEFS.

The Toledo (O.) Commercial has changed hands.

HOW THEY SUCCEEDED.

The Experience of Others Should Be a Valuable Thing for Us.

How many people we meet these days who complain of tired, worn-out feelings and seem to be very much "under the weather"? There seems to be an epidemic of ill-health and an unusually large number of people are feeling and looking weak and sickly. But there is fortunately a way to overcome these miserable feelings and regain lost health and strength. Thousands of people have discovered this way and many of them are giving others the benefit of their experience. Here is an interesting opinion on this subject:

Mr. E. R. Todd of 222 De Kalb avenue, Brooklyn, says: "In the spring and summer I was formerly a constant sufferer from weakness and nervous debility. I tried many remedies but obtained no relief until I began taking Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey. Since I commenced using it, my friends are astonished at my improved appearance."

The above opinion has been selected from thousands of others, all testifying to the fact that it proves beyond any question that for building up the system and imparting new life to weak, weary people Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey is simply unequalled. It purifies the blood, quickens the circulation, promotes digestion, cures constipation and gives new life to every part of the body. All druggists and grocers keep Duffy's Pure Malt, but in purchasing care should be taken to guard against inferior imitations.

CONVICT DEEKE NOT IDENTIFIED.

HOME BREWERY PEOPLE DID NOT KNOW HIM AS A ROBBER.

THE POLICE ARE CONFIDENT.

He Has an Unsavory Record and Has Served a Term of One Year in the Work-House.

Alexander Deeke, who was arrested by Sergeant Fox and Officer Hoffman Tuesday night, suspected of being one of the trio of highwaymen who robbed the Home Brewery, was shown to Robert Hafferkamp, the cashier of the brewery, Wednesday morning. The latter failed to identify Deeke as one of the robbers. He says that when Deeke's picture was shown to the brewery people they at once identified it as that of a man who had been in the office a few months before the robbery and asked to look at the Director's photograph. He is said to have identified the picture as the man who held the pistol to the cashier's head.

Whether Deeke is one of the robbers or not, he is known to be a hardened and criminal and his arrest is looked upon as an important capture. He is a well-educated, pleasant appearing man, about 35 years old, whose conduct for the society of fallen women has got him into trouble. He has been in the penitentiary several times for various offenses.

His first misdeed was in 1888, when he was said to have absconded with several thousand dollars belonging to the Hayworth Insurance Company of Des Moines, Ill., while employed by the firm as a book-keeper. Deeke fled, it is said, and has been in the penitentiary several times since.

He was arrested Tuesday night by Sergeant Fox and Officer Hoffman. He was taken to the police station and is now in the custody of the police.

He has no good opinion of Cooper and would not believe him Under Oath.

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"I wish to say, though," Mr. Bus continued, "that I have never said the words 'dishonest men in the Board.'"

Dr. Matthews' Gold Jubilee.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT. Rich and Fashionable Christmas Presents. PATTERN HATS. Specially designed for Christmas Trade and Winter Fashion. See How It Looks.



ABOVE FRENCH DESIGN,
\$2.95
Actually worth \$6.00.
See Them in Our Corner Windows.
CORNER BROADWAY AND LUCAS AVENUE.

SCHOOL SCANDAL CAUSES A STIR.

DIRECTORS ARE MUCH WROUGHT UP AND TALK VOLUBLY.

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Christmas Sale PLUSH CAPES.

A magnificent collection of elegant Seal Plush Capes, new and attractive garments, made expressly for this Christmas sale.

Read Our Description.
Prices Unheard of for New Capes.

Plush Capes.
20 inches long, silk lined, has fur on fronts and collar, entire cape braided, worth ordinarily \$7.98, Christmas Sale Price.....\$4.98

Plush Capes.
24 inches long, heavy seals seal plush, very wide sweep, full silk lining, thick fur on collar and fronts, regular \$10.00, Christmas Sale Price.....\$5.98

Plush Capes.
25 inches long, sweep of 120 inches, embroidered with rows of jet and braid, all silk lined and has thibet fur around the entire cape, collar both fronts and around the lower edge, a beautiful garment, \$12.00, Christmas Sale Price.....\$6.98

Plush Capes.
27 inches long, black silk lined, hand-knitted braided, black fur on collar and fronts, worth \$12.98, Christmas Sale Price.....\$7.95

Plush Capes.
Full 30 inches long, lined with colored silk, marten fur on collar and fronts. This is a plain, handsome cape, value \$13.48, Christmas Sale Price.....\$8.98



Elegant quality of plush—25 to 28 inches long, large patterns of jet work, fine silk linings, garments worth anywhere from \$14.50 to \$16.98, Christmas Sale.....\$9.98

Extra Fine Plain Plush Capes.
30 inches long, 130-inch sweep, heavy silk linings, solid collar, either of marten or thibet fur, with fronts trimmed with same furs, finest goods produced, value \$20.00, Christmas Sale Price for either.....\$13.98

Boucle Cloth Capes, best quality of fine curly cloth, silk lined and Thibet fur on collar and fronts, value \$12.00, Christmas Sale.....\$7.98

A small Boucle Cloth Cape, with fancy silk linings, very wide sweep, Thibet fur on front and collar, worth \$10.00, Christmas Sale Price.....\$6.98

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mr. LOUIS HIRSCH, formerly in the Photographic Supply Business at 214 North Seventh street (Blattner's), is now connected with us as Manager of our Photographic Camera Department, where he will be pleased to welcome his many patrons and friends.

A. S. ALOE COMPANY,
517 OLIVE STREET,
Headquarters for Amateur Photographers.

PATROLMAN FRUIN IS REINSTATED.

DISCHARGED FOR DRUNKENNESS, BUT HAS A NOBLE PULL.

HIS UNCLE IS NAMED JERE.

Is an Intimate of Chief Harrigan, Who Sternly Declines to Say Anything About the Matter.

One question which Maj. Harrigan and his Police Department are desirous of dodging is: "Why was Dick Fruin, nephew of Jere, reinstated?"

There was a lot of dodging about Police Headquarters Wednesday morning when a Post-Dispatch reporter tried to learn why the patrolman was quietly reinstated by the Board of Police Commissioners at full pay.

A little over two months ago Fruin, who was then walking a beat in the old Third District, was discharged from the force. He had received a vacation of two days and, without removing his uniform or his star, so proceeded to get very drunk.

Then it was charged he brutally beat a dressmaker who had been a witness against him in a former trial.

The Post-Dispatch brought the facts in the case to the attention of the commissioners and when Fruin was tried before the board he was dismissed from the force. But a quiet yet huge laugh went around the board. Dick Fruin is the nephew of Jere Fruin, intimate and close friend of Chief Desmond, and was reinstated without a man meeting to be called by the Mayor and a committee of citizens.

Alabama Favors Recognition.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 8.—The General Assembly of Alabama has put itself on record as in favor of the recognition of the belligerency of the Cubans by a unanimous vote.

LED ASTRAY THEY CHARGED HIM

CONRAD'S

SMYRNA FIGS...

Finest and Largest.

1-lb box... 25c 6-lb box... \$1.25

2-lb box... 50c 12-lb box... \$2.50

Small boxes 10c and 15c a lb.

CONRAD'S

Ready Special—Tasty Chocolate Creams—34c lb

Clear Special—1 for 25c 2 for 45c

Fruin had been before the board five times before for drunkenness.

Chief Harrigan was seen about the matter.

"Did you recommend the reinstatement of Fruin?"

"No one, I desired to learn if it were a fact."

"The Board did not consult me about this."

"Did you consult the Board?"

CHRISTMAS BARCAPS AND FINE SHOES!

Ladies' Warm Lined Felt and Knit Slippers, in Black and Colors, prices from 75c to \$1.75	Ladies' Black, Blue and Red Satin Faust Slippers, fur trimmed....\$2.50	Ladies' Carriage Boots, all sizes, fur lined and trimmed....\$3.50	Boehmer's Ideal Skating or Street Boots for Ladies, box calf, water proof, needle or coin toes, all sizes AA to E, \$3.50 value for \$2.50 \$4 value for \$2.98 \$5 value for \$3.90	Men's Pat. Calf Shoes, all the new toes, AA to E, \$4 value for \$2.98 \$5 value for \$3.90 \$6 value for \$5.00
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SHOE TO THE PEOPLE, 63-65 OLIVE ST. NEXT TO BARCAPS.

MADE A MOUTH FOR YOUNG DAVIS.

HIS LIPS HAD COHERED, LEAVING
A SMALL HOLE ONLY.

A KNIFE SLASH FIXED IT.

Now He Will Be Able to Eat and May-
be to Whistle Out of Tune,
Like Other Boys.

When Ethridge Davis, 12 years old, goes
back to his home on the farm near Bloom-
field, Mo., he will take back with him the
best mouth the St. Louis surgeons could
make for him.

When Ethridge was ushered into this
world nature had provided him with the
same kind of a mouth that the average in-
fant lays claim to. But an ignorant family
doctor and a big case of calomel working
in conjunction eliminated it.

Ethridge was seen by a Post-Dispatch
reporter Tuesday afternoon in St. Luke's
Hospital. He presented a unique appear-
ance. The lad is fairly well developed.
The only thing that is striking about him
is the mouth. Perhaps it would be bet-
ter to say lack of a mouth. There was
plenty of room on the boy's face for all
the mouth any one could desire, but it
would require almost a microscopic exami-
nation to bring that important feature out
so as to be readily seen.

There was a little round hole in the mid-
dle of that part of the face where the
mouth ought to be. It was in a measure fills
the bill. This hole is no greater in diam-
eter than an onion seed. The least amount
of meal time the smallness of the mouth is
a great bore, and at all other times it
is a constant annoyance to Ethridge. In
that it is exceedingly difficult for him to
talk plainly, to say nothing of the looks



ETHRIDGE DAVIS.

of the thing. And Ethridge is getting to
be a big boy now, and looks much a good
deal of one.

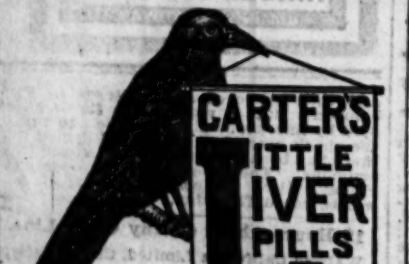
When Ethridge was an infant he had some
trouble with his mouth. It was about all the
remedy the family doctor knew. He pre-
scribed this for the babe, and it was not
administered in homoeopathic doses. As a
result the little fellow was horribly sa-
tiated. The linings of his mouth and the
gums became terribly ulcerated, and for
weeks his mouth was a solid sore. The
old country doctor did not treat the
patient properly. The little fellow was
suffered as they should have been and they
became agglutinated. When the sore did
finally begin to heal, the doctor found that
he was growing together. But the doctor did
not know how to remedy the trouble and
it was allowed to take its course. The mouth
literally grew up save for a very small open-
ing right in the center. While the child
grew the opening retained its insignificant
proportions.

A few days ago the boy's parents deter-
mined that he should be sent to the city
and see if the defect could not be remedied.
The physicians of Bloomfield did not feel
that they were prepared for the operation, so
Dr. Dodson came to St. Louis with Ethridge.
The boy was placed in St. Luke's Hospital
and Wednesday morning the surgeon per-
formed the surgical operation that will re-
store his mouth to what nature intended it
should be. It was a simple operation, the
surgeons say, and when the incisions heal
which they will do shortly, Ethridge will
have as a veritable a mouth as any one else
and the scars will not be at all unsightly.
In all his life the boy has never been able
to take a bite of apple like other boys. He
never has known the satisfaction of gnaw-
ing corn off the cob. Everything he at-
tempts to do he has to do in minute pieces and
slowly. He has never been able to enjoy a
meal because it took him so long to
get through with it. He anticipates de-
ceiving a whole lot of satisfaction from the
new city-made mouth.

JEFFERSON CLUB OFFICERS.

Campaign Begun, as the Election Takes
Place in January.

The annual election of officers of the Jeffer-
son Club will take place in January and
already the members are doing some cam-
paigning for their candidates. The contest
for President is said to be between Walter
B. McNair, Joseph N. Folk and John C.



**CARTER'S
LITTLE
LIVER
PILLS**

SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these
Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia,
Indigestion and Too Heartily Eating. A per-
fect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drow-
ziness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue,
Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They
Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.
Small Pill. Small Dose.
Small Price.

Robert, Virgil Rule, incumbent of the
office, and others. The Post-Dispatch is
mentioned for Secretary W. F. Scott will
probably be re-elected Treasurer.

SHOT JUST FOR FUN.

May's Tale of How a Bullet Got Into
Her Leg.

May Overshaw, colored, of 1245 Gay street,
is at the City Hospital with a bullet wound
in her left thigh which, she says, is the re-
sult of an accident.

Tuesday evening she went into the bor-
row of Monroe Crovina, colored, 1300 Mor-
gan street, to get a can of beer. While
there, she says, Henry Jenkins, the bar-
tender, pointed a pistol at her, "just for
fun." The weapon was accidentally dis-
charged, and the bullet took effect in her
thigh. Her wound is not dangerous. Jen-
kins is under arrest pending an investiga-
tion.

WALTER VROOMAN RESIGNS.

He Is No Longer Secretary of the Civic
Federation.

Walter Vrooman's resignation as Sec-
retary of the Civic Federation was accepted
Tuesday by President W. W. Boyd. Mr.
Vrooman resigned to become Chairman of
the National Bureau of Volunteer speak-
ers. Dr. Boyd says that Mr. Vrooman's re-
tirement was voluntary and not due to any
friction in the Civic Federation.

HIT IN THE NECK.

Conahan, a Printer, Knocked Out by
Footpads.

551 Conahan, compositor, 50 years old,
was assaulted and robbed within a stone's
throw of the Chestnut Street Police Station
at 9 o'clock Tuesday night.

He was on his way to his lodging house at
606 Market street, and when midway be-
tween Third and Fourth streets, on Chest-
nut street, two men slipped up behind him

Becker & Aal

515 OLIVE STREET.

Selling Off Our Suits.

SUIT SALE EXTRAORDINARY

Every Suit in Our Establishment Divided Into Three Lots—Nothing Reserved.

- LOT 1**—Every Suit in this lot that cost us from \$10.00 to \$15.00, **\$5.00**
ALL GO AT.....
- LOT 2**—Every Suit in this lot that cost us from \$20.00 to \$22.50, **\$10.00**
ALL GO AT.....
- LOT 3**—In this lot you'll find Suits that are all silk lined, stylish
materials, many costing as high as \$32.00 and \$35.00, **\$15.00**
all this season's styles, ALL GO AT.....

P. S.—We are selling off our CHILDREN'S CLOAKS—not going to keep
them any more. Chance to buy a CHILD'S CLOAK CHEAP.

BECKER & AAL, 515 OLIVE ST.

METALLIC CIRCUIT IS BUILDING.

SOUTH ST. LOUIS TO HAVE IM-
PROVED TELEPHONE SERVICE.

MUCH WORK IS REQUIRED.

Cannot Be Said Now Whether or Not
the Change Means More Cost
to Subscribers.

The much talked of and long wished for
metallc circuit is at last in sight for St.
Louis telephone users. It will be an estab-
lished fact in South St. Louis within the
next two months. The Bell Telephone
Company has a force of men working day
and night to get the new branch office in
South St. Louis ready for use.

General Manager Durant said Wednesday
that the establishment of the new offices
would greatly increase the company's facili-
ties in the South End. "We will," he said,
"open two branch offices, one in Carondelet
and one at Eleventh and Sidney streets.
The Carondelet office will be comparatively
small, having a capacity of only 150 sub-
scribers. The Sidney street office will have
a capacity of 200 subscribers, but only 250
will be put on the circuit at first. The new
Central office will take care of all the busi-
ness south of the central. The main fea-
ture of the equipment of the new office will
be the installation of metallc circuit switch-
boards.

"It is possible for us to operate a metallc
circuit in South St. Louis, but we cannot
do so in the business section until the wires
go under ground. Subscribers will all the
wires in St. Louis will not all have the met-
tallc circuit at first. We will install it
wherever it is asked for. The main fea-
ture of the equipment of the new office will
be the installation of metallc circuit switch-
boards. It is very possible that there will
be no extra charge.

We are having the slack taken up in all
the wires in the Southern district. This
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OLD SOLDIERS AND MERCHANTS.

THEY ARE SHOULDERS TO SHOULDERS TO SAVE THE BARRACKS.

TWO COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

Merchants' Exchange and Loyal Legion Representatives Will Advise With the Sanitary Commission.

President Spencer of the Merchants' Exchange has appointed the following gentlemen as a committee to confer with the commission appointed to report on the condition of the barracks: John W. Noble, H. O. Standard, H. C. Harstick, John W. Turner, James O. Broadhead and Wm. H. Thompson.

The committee will work hand in hand with the Loyal Legion and urge the importance of maintaining the barracks as a regimental post. Gen. Noble is chairman of the Exchange committee and will call a meeting of it for Thursday.

The following members of the Loyal Legion have been appointed a committee to ascertain the facts as to the past in order that the organization may take what steps it consistently can: Gen. John W. Turner, Gen. John W. Noble, Col. Nathan Cole, Col. W. Fordyce and Capt. W. R. Hodges. These gentlemen were notified to assemble in the rooms of the Legion in the Laclede building at 4 p. m. Wednesday. They are all familiar with conditions at the barracks, but they will probably visit the post tomorrow in order to refresh their memories. They may even go so far as to visit the rifle range at Arcadia, which has been pictured as a malarious locality by some persons, and as a natural health resort by others.

The Legion's action in the matter will probably have weight with the War Department, as the members of the organization know the requirements of soldiers quite as well as do army officers now in service, and they have no schemes to push.

The position the local committees will probably take is that any unsanitary condition that may exist at the barracks can be remedied with a reasonable expenditure of money.

Capt. W. R. Hodges of the Loyal Legion takes a lively interest in the army and is perhaps as well informed about conditions at Jefferson barracks as the officers stationed at the post.

"It is nonsense," said he, "to talk of the natural location of the post being unhealthy. It could be said of St. Louis with just as much truth. It is point of fact, however, that those old buildings are unsanitary to an alarming degree. They should be destroyed and replaced with new structures at once. Take the old hospital. It is nearly seventy years old and has been in use, since it was built, as a home for sick soldiers. At the time of its construction comparatively little was known about sanitary architecture. Every variety of disease known to man has been represented in its wards and the building is full of germs with vermin. A case that came under my observation illustrates how awful the conditions are. A young soldier was sick in the hospital. His mother came from Pittsburgh to nurse him. He died after she had been here a few days. She told me she sat by his side day and night killing bedbugs. They would have devoured him if he had been left unattended."

Take a well man and fasten him at that place for a week and he would develop typhoid fever. The old building, used for the commanding officer's headquarters is nearly as bad. It is built on a hill side and storm water flows into the kitchen. Sometimes it is a foot deep. It soaks through the floor and keeps the ground under the house wet and filthy. Officers who left their clothes in this house last summer walk away with a rash on their legs. The water is thick on everything when they returned. This sounds incredible, but it is true. A garment will rot in the house in twelve hours. The wives of two commanding officers have died there."

"They are talking about remodeling these old houses. It will be a sheer waste of money. They should be demolished and replaced with new structures at once. Nobody gets sick in the new buildings down there."

"Another thing needed is an increased water supply. The post gets its water from the city through a six-inch main. That is not an over-large size. This pipe was arranged for when the post was a mere recruiting station. Since then it has been made a cavalry post. A horse will drink a quart of water while a man is drinking a teaspoonful. Naturally the supply intended for a few hundred foot soldiers is entirely inadequate. Sometimes hours elapse before enough water can be obtained to flush the sewers. That in itself is enough to breed disease."

"What the post needs is a good appropriation. The Government has expended millions on Fort Sheridan at Chicago, but it begrudges every cent that goes to Jefferson barracks."

"I saw Gen. Miles talk about sink holes causing sickness by being deposits for river water. The bottoms of those holes are more

than 100 feet above high water mark. They are natural drains, and cannot cause sickness unless silt is permitted to accumulate in them. It is not necessary to fill them up. They can be drained."

"As to Arcadia, it is as salubrious as any spot on earth. It is probably 700 feet higher than St. Louis, being a valley in the foothills of the Ozarks. The soil is gravelly and unproductive. It is watered by natural springs and is really an ideal spot for the barracks. The Government selected it for."

"Dr. Goulding, an old army surgeon, who has lived there for years, told me that he had never known a fever of malarious or typhoid type to develop there."

The belief is so discredited with St. Louis that he will apply for a transfer. In the event that he is sent to some other post it is not unlikely that a full Colonel will be sent here."

SOME MARITAL INFELICITY.
Van Ronselein and Wife Join Issue in Court.

The allegations made in the divorce case of Henrietta Van Ronselein against Geo. W. Van Ronselein, a traveling salesman, have been answered by the defendant by a general denial and a cross-bill. The divorce petition alleged that Van Ronselein was in the habit of frolicking with ladies across the street from his home at 1113 Virginia avenue, was cruel to his child and on Sept. 25, after trying to rob his wife, was only prevented from doing her bodily harm by the arrival of the police.

In taking a divorce on his own account, the defendant declares that Mrs. Van Ronselein is possessed of an unchangeable temper and frequently beat him with a poker, cane or anything else that was handy. She also accused him of having committed adultery with a woman named Mrs. Hodges. When she beat him she gave him more blows than he could count. Matters were no better after his return.

Van Ronselein's version of the 200-episode differs from his wife's. He alleges that the money was his own and was in a trunk for safe-keeping. His wife asked him to lend it to her sister and when he refused, she gave him more blows than he could count. Instead she raised the window and summoned the police. Van Ronselein and his wife were married in 1885 at Ivory Station, Mo.

WERE COUNTED OUT.
Democratic Legislative Candidates File Contest Proceedings.

Thomas R. Dumont, John I. Ratigan and C. W. Cullen, defeated Democratic candidates for the Legislature, have filed contest proceedings against the Republican members-elect in the House of Representatives. Attorney Wm. P. Macklin represents the contestants and Wm. E. Thompson will look after the interests of Messrs. Seegmiller, Moeller and Koch.

The petition simply alleges that the contestants are entitled to their seats. A recount of the ballots is relied upon to substantiate the Democratic claim. The contestants say: "We were done up in the Board of Election Commissioners' most successful special in curing nervous and chronic diseases, and hence of necessity is perfectly adapted to cure just these complaints. An added value is the fact that Dr. Greene can be consulted free, personally or by letter."

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'TIS NOT A SHAM INVESTIGATION.

DIRECTORS SAY THAT KOENIG WILL BE LOOKED INTO.

MEAN TO GO TO THE BOTTOM.

In a Little While the Public Will Know Whether or Not the City Has Been Gouged.

Formal charges have been preferred against School Director H. C. Koenig and Alex. Watson, his brother-in-law, in connection with the school repair jobbery exposed by the Post-Dispatch about three weeks ago.

The charges are in the form of an affidavit made by Bernhard Huelmann and presented by him to the School Board at its regular monthly meeting Tuesday night with a request that the board investigate and act upon the matter.

The board instructed President Bus to appoint a committee of five to take action on the charges. The committee is to be composed of School Directors and two citizens not members of the board.

Certain directors state that, while Director Koenig, on whose motion the action was taken, may expect the committee to vindicate him, every effort will be made to have the school repair scandal probed to the quick.

For this purpose a demand will be made that the committee call for the bills presented against the Board for school repair during the period covered by Huelmann's charges. They argue that a legal man on the part of the committee to call for the bills would look into the matter.

Under a somewhat peculiar practice no bills or notes may be taken up and not permitted to be inspected by anyone outside of the board. All bills, after having been passed upon and not taken up, are not permitted to be inspected by anyone outside of the board. All bills, after having been passed upon and not taken up, are not permitted to be inspected by anyone outside of the board.

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When Secretary Player read the affidavit to the board, Director Penny, who, according to the evidence presented in Tuesday's Post-Dispatch, is a member with Koenig of the school board, moved to adjourn. The matter he filed. Koenig, however, moved that a committee of three be appointed to investigate the charges.

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"Will any action be taken?" "Oh, yes," Huelmann's charges have been formally preferred.

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The display included silver articles of every description, both in sterling, plated and fast, but the stock will be depleted, so that all holiday shoppers may have an opportunity to secure their choice of the good things shown.

NO AGENTS IN MISSOURI.
Capt. Roemer Says the Cubans Want Only Ammunition.

The report that the Cuban Junta has agents in Missouri enlisting men and gathering supplies for the insurgents is not believed by Capt. Roemer, who saw active service in the patriot armies.

"I believe that I have the confidence of Senor Palma, President of the New York Junta," said Capt. Roemer, "and I think that I would be informed if he had special agents in Missouri. I know that the insurgents do not need men for Gen. Gomez to lead me before I left Cuba that he had more men than he could supply with arms."

Hence it is improbable that the Junta is recruiting men in Missouri. In fact, Gen. Gomez sent word to Senor Palma not to send any more men to Cuba than were required to unload the cargoes of supplies.

If never heard of Senor Cortes Delanillo and Senor Jose Petreque, who are said to be the agents of the Junta in Missouri.

Probate Matters.
The will of the late Henry Leder leaves all his real estate to his widow, Elizabeth Leder, who is named as executrix.

The late Gerhard Friederich Stroheck left all of his estate to his widow, Amelia Maria Stroheck, executrix of the will of deceased, died Wednesday.

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ADDRESSING—Wanted, by a young lady, 20,000 envelopes to address; 20c per 1,000. Ad. 124, this office.

COOK—SIT, wanted by a first-class cook, washer and ironer; references. Call 1804 Morgan st.

MAN—Wanted, situation by first-class cook, 4219 Gibson av. 1 block west of 12th st. Ad. 124, this office.

COOK—Wanted, situation by a Swedish woman and daughter, together to cook, wash and iron, and do housework; 1807 N. 14th st. Ad. 124, this office.

COOK—Wanted, situation by a woman, 24 years of age, as cook and housework; also good references. Ad. 216 S. 12th st.

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GIRL—A German girl wants a place in a private family. Please call at 318 E. 14th st.

GIRL—A neat colored girl wants work; willing to do anything. Add. N 164, this office.

HOUSEKEEPER—Young widow, with one child, wants a place as housekeeper for widower or bachelor; neat and tidy; well experienced; more a home than wages. Add. T 165, this office.

HOUSEKEEPER—Wanted, situation by good house and dining-room girl, or sewing. 2740 Morgan st.

HOUSEKEEPER—Young woman wants situation as housekeeper. Call at 2740 Morgan st.

HOUSEKEEPER—Young girl desires housework or sewing. Add. N 164, this office.

HOUSEWORK—Wanted, by a woman of experience, position as housekeeper; good references; no objection to country. Add. P 163, this office.

HOUSEWORK—Wanted, situation for general housework; no washing. 129 N. 14th st.

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HELP WANTED—FEMALE

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HOUSEWORK—Wanted—Girl for general housework. 4101 West Pine st.

HOUSEWORK—Wanted—Will teach one not speak English; small family; good house; no washing. Call or write postal with address, 604 S. 10th st., two blocks north of Market and King's highway.

HOUSEWORK—Wanted—Girl for general housework; no washing. 3038 Page av.

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MESSAGE —OF— H. HIRSCHBERG, THE OPTICIAN, Tenth and Olive Streets.

DESIRES to inform the public, and especially the Spectacle and Eye-Glass wearers, that from now until Christmas Eve we will sell Solid Gold Spectacle Frames, also Solid Gold Eye-Glass Frames, at \$2.00 per pair. Every one should avail themselves of this rare opportunity.

WEDDING BELLS ARE RINGING.

THREE NOTABLE CEREMONIES IN ST. LOUIS THIS EVENING.

ALL THE BRIDES ARE PRETTY.

One Goes to the Smoky Town of Pittsburg, but the Others Will Ornament Mount City Society.

HAYS-EURSTON.

A brilliant wedding of to-day will be that of Miss Cordelia Eurston, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Eurston, of 378 Lindell boulevard, and Mr. John MacClurg Hays of Pittsburg, Pa. The ceremony will occur this evening at 8 o'clock at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Rev. Bishop Tuttle, assisted by the rector, the Rev. Mr. Short, officiating.

The bride will be attended by Miss Mary Eurston, her sister, as maid of honor, the bridesmaids being Misses Stella Hays, and Rosalind Smith of Pittsburg, and Genevieve Hebert, Sophie Daughaday and Lida Wallace of St. Louis.

Mr. Frank Carnegie of Pittsburg will be best man to the bridegroom, the ushers being Messrs. Walter Rhodes, Robinson of Pittsburg, Edwin Eurston, brother of the bride, Wallace Simmons and Arthur Garrison of St. Louis.

The church will be decked with Easter lilies and palms, the house with different flowers, the room in which the bride and bridegroom receive the congratulations of their friends with palms and Easter lilies, the dining-room with American beauty roses and the other reception rooms with various colored flowers.

The bride party will be preceded by the choir boys chanting the bridal chorus from Lohengrin, and the organ will play during the ceremony.

The bride will wear a magnificent gown of Glimond satin, made princess, with a long court train, the front covered with point duchesse and edged with white tulle, the bodice cut low, with a deep full of lace, and sleeves of fine white tulle. Her white tulle veil will be fastened with a diamond pin, and she will carry a bouquet of white orchids.

The maid of honor will wear a gown of white satin, covered with white tulle, the bodice decorated and trimmed about the neck with ruffles of tulle, and the bridesmaids will wear white tulle, draped with white tulle, the bodice cut low with short puffed sleeves.

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Pocket Knives 5c to \$15.00 each
The largest assortment in America.

Toilet Sets, fitted with good cutlery, etc. in celluloid, plush or paper boxes, a complete assortment \$2.00 to \$25.00

Leather Scissors, case contains one large shear, a large and small scissors, the best on the market \$3.00
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Pearl, Ivory, Rubber, Bone, Celluloid and Solid Silver Knives and Forks, the Largest Line in America.

Rogers' Silver Plated Child's Knife, Fork and Spoon in plush lined box \$1.00
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Jordan's Popular Ladies' Companions contain 2 sizes Scissors, Pen Knives, Silver Thimble, File, Tweezer, Hooks, Crochet Needle, Stilette, etc., all of the finest goods I manufacture \$3.00 to \$12.00 EACH

Rogers' Silver-Plated Tea Spoons—the beautiful Savoy pattern—per set of six \$1.25
Table Spoons to match \$2.50
Butter Knife to match 75c
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The Tobacco used in this Cigar is the Best we can buy in Cuba. **TRY A MERCANTILE**

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MARRIED HIS GIRL AND THEN FIBBED.

KILPATRICK STRONGLY DENIES THAT HE IS A BENEDICT.

MAIDEN'S NAME WAS BRADLEY.

Maybe She Will Have Something to Say to Him After She Reads the Post-Dispatch.

Up to thirteen days ago Elmer E. Kilpatrick's address was 1313 South Thirteenth street. He left his father's home on Thanksgiving day without leaving any explanation behind him.

The reason for his sudden departure was partially explained by the following advertisement in a morning paper Wednesday:

KILPATRICK MARRIED.—In Alton, Ill., on Thanksgiving Day, Mr. Elmer E. Kilpatrick of St. Louis to Miss Alice Bradley.

Elmer Kilpatrick is a son of Alexander Kilpatrick, President of the Standard Foundry Co. He is now employed as a journeyman patternmaker in his father's establishment.

Though there is evidence that the young man was married on Thanksgiving day as the advertisement states, he himself denies that he is a benedict. When seen Wednesday morning he said:

"I think I know who put that notice in the paper. You see I left home about two weeks ago because my sister lectured me a little for my conduct in my father's office. I got in a quarrel at the Thackeray Brothers' ball. The papers wrote me up and my sister talked so much about it that I left home."

"I never was in Alton in my life. I know several people that have a grudge against me and I guess some of them put the notice in the paper. You see I left home about two weeks ago because my sister lectured me a little for my conduct in my father's office. I got in a quarrel at the Thackeray Brothers' ball. The papers wrote me up and my sister talked so much about it that I left home."

"Why yes," he said, "Elmer is married. He told me about a week ago that he had married a Miss Bradley. I knew that he had been going to see the girl for some time. Still I don't know anything about her folks. So far as I know there was no objection to the match on either side. I don't see why they run away and I don't see why Elmer denies the marriage. There is no doubt the notice is true. I think it was inserted by my own wife."

At the boarding house at Ninth and Mount streets that he is now staying, Elmer Kilpatrick had been keeping company with a girl named Bradley. Her father had formally worked at the Excelsior Store Foundry and was in very moderate circumstances. He had no idea where the young couple were living.

CRONIN HAS BEEN OUTRAGED.

Delegate Marshall Plucks Some Laurels Off Him.

Mr. Jim Cronin of the House of Delegates is angry. Delegate Marshall wants to do

poor man's milk must be pure. inspectors will watch the shopmen who sell it. tests will be made daily.

Dealers and Customers Alike Invited to Bring Milk to the City Hall for Examination.

Dr. Howard Carter, the Milk Inspector, has determined to confine his work chiefly to the tenement districts. His assistant, Dr. George B. Sheridan, will be stationed there, and instead of gathering up samples at random, they will mostly be obtained from wagons and stores patronized by the poor.

As these are most often imposed upon, Dr. Carter is determined to give them the greatest possible protection. He believes that a rigid supervision of the milk trade under the one which it is hoped to get, will lessen the mortality among children next summer.

The apparatus of the department is now complete and samples are being tested daily. The use of adulterated milk is being detected as often as just plain dirt.

Of a dozen samples brought in Tuesday, all contained more or less foreign substance. After setting for a short time every one of the samples was found to be tainted to the naked eye. Each contained enough dirt to harbor billions of bacteria.

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